GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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PLANE CRASH
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of aircrafts/airbuses flown by the Government and private companies that crashed during the last three years;

(b) the number of such cases for which enquiry committees have been constituted alongwith the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken/proposed to check the recurrence of such incidents?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a):- During the last three years from 2001 - 2004 (till date) 22 accidents occurred involving Indian civil registered aircraft flown by Government and private companies. No aircraft belonging to scheduled airlines was, however, involved in any accident.

(b):- The Government had instituted two Committees of Inquiries under Rule 74 of Aircraft Rules, 1937 in two crashes involving:

(i) M/s.Jindal Strips King Air C-90 aircraft VT-EFF on 30.9.2001 near Mainpuri in which Shri Madhavarao Scindia, then Hon`ble MP received fatal injuries; and

(ii) M/s. Deccan Aviation Bell 206 helicopter VT-DAP near Vijyawada on 03.03.2002 in which Shri G.M.C. Balyogi, the then Hon`ble Speaker of Lok Sabha received fatal injuries.

In the remaining 20 accidents, Inspector of Accidents were appointed for conduct of inquiry under Rule 71 of Aircraft Rules, 1937.

(c):- Safety Recommendations emanating from investigation of accidents and of incidents are followed up by Directorate General of Civil Aviation for implementation by the concerned agencies/units for preventing recurrence of similar incidents/accidents.